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The chances for a coal famine are growing less.

The mountains were covered with snow this morning.

Judge Pope will not return to Roswell until February.

The new administration will take charge of the city affairs Tuesday the 15th inst.

The dwellers along several of the residence streets are talking of macadamizing the streets at their own expense.

Treasurer-elect E. H. Williams led the ticket at the recent city election, receiving 444 votes out of a total vote cast of 460.

Several of the New Mexico citizens who are now in Washington believe there will be favorable statehood action at this session of congress.

It is up to the people of Roswell as to just when the work on the Hondo reservoir will begin. This beats railroad news all to pieces. It means much for the future of Roswell.

No time should be lost by the property holders along the Hondo in giving the government a fair field to begin operations in building the reservoir. It is now up to the people of Roswell when the work on this enterprise shall begin. The sooner this is commenced, the shorter the time in which it will be finished. No proposition ever presented to the people of Roswell has ever demanded more prompt action. Work on the reservoir must soon begin.

Present Condition of Statehood.

The New Mexican, which keeps about as well posted on conditions at Washington as any other territorial paper, has the following to say in regard to the present status of the statehood question:

"Delegate Rodey has for the past three weeks spent his time almost wholly in keeping appointments for personal calls upon enemies of statehood in congress, has had many interesting talks, and has removed a great deal of prejudice that existed in the minds of the enemies of statehood.

"Among others, he has had long conferences with Speaker Cannon, Congressman Payne, Republican floor leader, Congressman Dalzell, Hepburn, Grosvenor, and many others; and on the senate side, with Senators Hale, of Maine, Lodge of Massachusetts, Beveridge of Indiana, Kean and Dryden of New Jersey, Bard of California, and many others. "Of course he has had many interviews with the friends of statehood as well; the delegates from all the territories have conferred, and all have had consultations with Senators Quay, Elkins, Foraker, Gallinger, McCumber, Burton and other friends of statehood. They have each also had interviews with the President.

In a short time something may happen in the statehood line. It will surprise the people here when they know the amount of prejudice that has been removed by these conferences and by information gained since the last session of congress. Many of the reports that have recently gone out of the national capital about statehood, written by correspondents, are misleading. The statehood question is in better shape than it has ever been since the beginning of the great fight in the fifty-seventh congress. Another great fight

against it may develop, but the chances are against this right now. There is quite a likelihood that the question will be settled by some sort of an agreement.

Europe Honors Dr. Koch.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—Professor Koch, the eminent physician and scientist, was the recipient of many honors today on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday. Congratulatory addresses were received from scientific bodies in many parts of the world. Another gift was a marble bust, his own likeness, presented by friends and admirers in Great Britain and Germany.

Professor Koch is recognized as the world's leading authority in tuberculosis, the bubonic plague and all diseases of a like nature. For nearly forty years, ever since he gained his degree of M. D., he has been studying germs, and about 1880 he succeeded in identifying the germ of cattle diseases and of consumption. His remarkable discoveries led to his being placed at the head of the German Cholera Commission which visited Egypt and India, and while on this investigation he discovered the comma bacillus of cholera receiving a reward of 100,000 marks from the government. Further researches in bacteriology established his reputation as the leader in this branch of medicine, and led to his appointment as professor of hygiene at the University of Berlin.

Civil Service Discussed.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 11.—Before a large and enthusiastic audience of civil service reformers a number of interesting papers and addresses were presented today at the second day's session of the annual convention of the National Civil Service Reform League. Some of the speakers and their subjects were as follows: "Fourth Class Postmasters and Rural Free Delivery," Elliott H. Goodwin; "Some phases of the practical operation of the Civil Service Laws," Homer Folks, Commissioner of Public Charities of New York; "The Merit Principle in the Selection of the Higher Municipal Officers," Richard Henry Dana; "Civil Service Reform in Maryland," Prof. W. W. Willoughby; "The Need of Greater Efforts and More Effective Methods in Advocating the Merit System," Charles Richardson.

The convention comes to a close this evening with a dinner in honor of the delegates and the ladies accompanying them.

Swedenborgian Exhibit Proposed.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—One of the most novel exhibits at the approaching Exposition is proposed by the Swedenborgian societies of America. The various societies of this denomination propose to have reproduced the original dwelling house of Emanuel Swedenborg, the founder of the sect, which is still standing and preserved in Stockholm. It is planned to erect the building upon a proper site within the Exposition grounds, to be used for the display of manuscripts, original volumes, and objects of interest to the church members and general public, and also for the free distribution of New church literature, as well as a meeting point for visitors interested in the new church movement who are expected to attend the fair in large numbers.

Consular Service Discussed.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 11.—The bill for the re-organization of the Consular service presented in the senate by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts and in the house of representatives by Adams of Pennsylvania, was the subject of discussion at a conference of leading merchants and manufacturers held in Baltimore today. The conference was held under the auspices of the National Consular Reorganization Committee, and those present included prominent persons of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and a number of other cities.

O'Keefe and Gardner.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 11.—Jack O'Keefe, the Chicago lightweight who has a decision over Jimmy Britt to his credit, and Gus Gardner, who recently fought a draw with Martin Duffy, are to come together before a local athletic organization tonight. The articles call for a ten round bout at 136 pounds. Both men have been training faithfully since the match was made and appear to be in condition to put up an interesting contest.

TO MEN.—Pastor C. C. Young will preach to men next Sunday morning. All admitted and invited, but he will talk especially to men and boys.

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